

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

PERIODIC REPORTING  
(PROPOSAL ONE)

Docket No. RM2018-4

**RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
TO QUESTION 1 OF CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1**  
(June 11, 2018)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to Question 1 of Chairman's Information Request No. 1, issued June 8, 2018. A response was sought by June 12, 2018. The questions are stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1**

1. The Postal Service states that “[Proposal One] mirrors Proposal Nine, Docket No. RM2017-13, to use digital image samples for the City Carrier Cost System (CCCS), which was recently approved by the Commission.” Petition, Proposal One at 1.

- a. Please confirm that the methodology followed in Proposal One is identical to the methodology followed in Proposal Nine in its sampling and estimation strategies and that Proposal One and Proposal Nine differ only in the data used in each of the proposals.
- b. If not confirmed, please explain how the methodology followed and data used in Proposal One differ from the methodology followed and data used in Proposal Nine.

**RESPONSE:**

Confirmed that the Proposal Nine and Proposal One methodologies are identical in all material respects. It may be noted, however, because of underlying differences between CCCS and RCCS, stratification is applied to the digital sampling frame for CCCS, whereas this stratification is not applied in RCCS.